WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Governor

1, ±988 1989 and §§ 614 through 637 of Article 56 of this Act shall take effect Aprit July 1, 1990.

May 27, 1988

The Honorable R. Clayton Mitchell, Jr. Speaker of the House of Delegates State House Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 855.

This bill establishes a new "State Board of Physician Quality Assurance" and strengthens the system for medical discipline and physician competence in this State.

Senate Bill 508, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 2, 1988, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 855.

Sincerely, William Donald Schaefer Governor

House Bill No. 855

AN ACT concerning

Medical Discipline - State Board of Medical Physician Quality Assurance

FOR the purpose of strengthening the system for investigating and handling cases of medical discipline; creating a State Board of Medical Physician Quality Assurance; providing for the appointment and membership of the Board; requiring the Board to perform a preliminary investigation of certain allegations of medical discipline; providing that the Board may take appropriate and immediate action in certain cases; providing that the Board shall refer certain cases to the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty for further investigation; requiring the Board to suspend or revoke a license if the licensee is convicted or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to certain crimes of moral turpitude subject to certain